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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Case No. 02-1181-A)

In application of:

Baird, et al.

Serial No. 10/727,680

Filed: December 4, 2003

For: Self-Referencing Biodetection Method  
And Patterned Bioassays

Examiner: To be Assigned

Group Art Unit: 1645

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

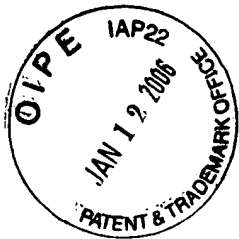
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The last communication received from the Office in the above-mentioned case was a communication dated April 28, 2005. Applicant's respectfully request the status of the application.

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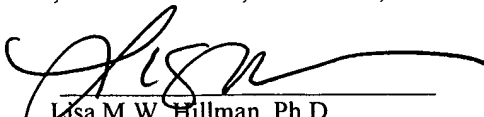
  
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